

Appl. No. 09/759,107
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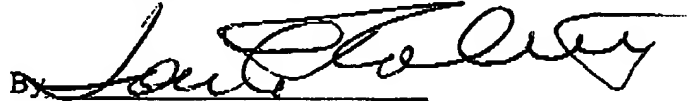
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant filed the present application on January 12, 2001. On that date, both application no. 08/963,373 and application no. 09/265,656 were pending. Applicant unintentionally failed to claim priority to the 09/265,656 application. On October 21, 2004, Applicant filed a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(2) to accept the unintentionally delayed claim and paid the required fee. That petition was dismissed because the amendment of the priority claim improperly included a statement incorporating the 09/265,656 application by reference. By this Amendment, Application has eliminated the offending statement from the prior amended priority claim.

Applicant respectfully requests that its petition be granted and that this amendment be entered.

The Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, and conversely credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-1579.

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